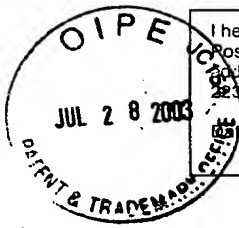


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Dear Sir:

This paper is filed in response to the Office Action dated June 25, 2003 (Paper No. 8). A response is due on July 25, 2003 and as such, this paper is timely filed. No fees are believed to be due in connection with this paper, however, should any fees be deemed necessary in connection with the present paper, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any such fees to our Deposit Account No. 13-2855. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed.

Amendments to the Specification. There are **no** amendments to the specification.

Amendments to the claims. There are no amendments to the claims.

Pursuant to the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §1.121, a complete listing of the claims begins on page 2 of this paper.

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